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Sir:

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- $\boxtimes$ English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto.
- $\boxtimes$ For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants note that JP 9-512610 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,580,183, which was cited in the November 1, 2007 Office Action.
- $\boxtimes$ For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants have attached a copy of the specification and drawings of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/567,404, filed February 6, 2006, which has not yet been published.

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